

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Itakura

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Preliminary Amendment**  
**Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Dear Sir:

Before taking up the above-identified application, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.